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### **Caltrans Highway 99 Project Improves Safety in Los Molinos**

**Redding** – Caltrans today announced the completion of Phase I of a project that will improve safety on State Highway 99 in Los Molinos. The nearly \$5 million project was funded almost entirely from Proposition 1B, a \$19.9 billion transportation bond approved by voters in 2006. Additional funding (\$80,000) came from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act).

Los Molinos is a small community with Highway 99 as its “main street.” The volume and speed of traffic has made crossing the highway difficult. The addition of street and intersection lighting, crosswalks, and curbs and sidewalks between Orange and Grant Streets, and the installation of a traffic signal at Aramayo Way and a pedestrian flashing beacon at Grant Street will significantly improve safety. The contractor for the project was Ron Hale Construction of Shasta Lake.

"We are very pleased to present the people of Los Molinos with these safety improvements that will help keep them out of harm's way," said Caltrans Director Cindy McKim. "With the help of Proposition 1B and Recovery Act funds, we are making our highways safer in every region of California."

To date, Caltrans and the California Transportation Commission have allocated nearly \$6 billion in Proposition 1B funding to more than 1,000 projects statewide.

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